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Raeder Nr. 130.

THE INTERNATIONALE MILITARY TRIBUNAL

Office of
the General Secretary

12 April 1946

MEMORANDUM TO: Dr. Siemers, Counsel for Defendant Raeder.

With reference to your request of certain documents belonging to the British Admiralty, the following reply from the British Foreign Office has been received:

> Approrpiate action will be taken in regard to your request for Weyer, Diary of the Navy of 1933, 1935, 1936 and for Nautikus Yearbook of the Navy of 1933, 1935 and 1936."

With respect to your request for the files of the British Admiralty covering the period of May 1939 to April 1940, pertaining to plans and preparations about military intervention of the Allies in Scandinavia and Finland, the foreign office makes the following observations:

> "Any plans, preparations and negotiations which there may have been in regard to this subject were never put into effect as His Majesty's Government decided not to intervene in Scandinavia unless the Germans intervened first or unless called on by the Scandinavian powers, a call which was, however, never made. In view of these facts His Majesty's Government are unable to depart in this case from their general rule that files of this nature cannot be produced and made public. It is assumed that the request relates to matters other than the laying of minefields in Norwegian waters by the forces of His Majesty's Government which action is a matter of public knowledge.
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> sign. A.M.S. Neave
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> A.M.S. NEAVE
> Lt. Col., A.A.G.

Jch, Dr. Walter S i e m e r s , Rechtsanwalt zu Hamburg, zur Zeit Verteidiger am Amerikanischen Militaergerichtshof Nuernberg, bescheinige hiermit, dass die vorstehende Abschrift mit dem Originalschreiben: Memorandum des International Military Tribunal an mich vom 12. April 1946 uebereinstimmt.

Nuernberg, den 26. April 1946.

(Dr. Siemers)

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